

Metropolitan Transportation Commission Programming and Allocations Committee

May 10, 2006

Item Number 5a

Resolution No. 3760

Subject: Programming and allocation of approximately \$3 million in Five Percent Unrestricted State Fund Revenues and \$0.9 million in Two Percent Bridge Toll Revenues for ferry capital.

Background: The Two Percent Bridge Toll revenues are derived from the transit element of Regional Measure 1. The Five Percent Unrestricted State Fund Revenues are state funds derived from a cooperative agreement between the California Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, and the Bay Area Toll Authority (BATA) to federalize the toll bridge projects under BATA's jurisdiction. The state funds replace the Five Percent Bridge Toll Program funds originally generated from RM 1 bridge toll revenues for ferry operations. New programming and allocations policies were established in Resolution No. 3288 in July 2000 and revised in April 2002 and July 2002.

The Five Percent Unrestricted State Fund Revenues will continue to fund the San Francisco Bay Trail project at \$140,000, the same level as in previous years, and support the continued operations of the Alameda/Oakland Ferry, Alameda Harbor Bay Ferry, and Vallejo ferry services through FY 2006-07. The Two Percent Bridge Toll Revenue Program will fund specific ferry capital improvements and maintenance. Priority will be given to capital projects that maintain existing ferry services.

In July 2002, the Commission implemented a 40% farebox recovery performance measure for eligibility to claim Five Percent Unrestricted State Fund Revenues. In April 2005, staff reported that the Harbor Bay Ferry Service fell significantly short of the requirement with a farebox recovery of 29.2%. At the City of Alameda's request, the Commission extended the deadline to meet the performance measure by one year. During that time, the City implemented a plan to increase revenues and reduce costs that would allow Harbor Bay Ferry Service to meet the farebox recovery by the end of FY 2005-06. Staff provided an update to this committee in March 2006 and reported that the Harbor Bay Ferry service had met the requisite farebox recovery ratio at 43.5% for the FY 2005-06 to date. In its application for Five Percent funds, the City reported that the Harbor Bay Service continues to exceed the 40% farebox ratio and is projecting a 42.6% farebox recovery ratio for FY 2006-07.

Issues: ABAG has requested \$140,000 in Five Percent Unrestricted funds for San Francisco Bay Trail project operations. ABAG has also requested that the Commission consider an increase to meet inflationary costs. Staff is recommending that the Commission continue to fund the Bay Trail at \$140,000, as established in MTC Resolution No. 3288, because bridge toll revenues are not subject to inflationary increases and because sustaining existing ferry service is a higher funding priority.

Recommendation: Refer MTC Resolution No. 3760 to the Commission for approval.

Attachments: MTC Resolution No. 3760

Date: May 24, 2006
W.I.: 1514
Referred by: PAC

ABSTRACT

Resolution No. 3760

This resolution approves the Five Percent Unrestricted State Fund Revenues and the Two Percent Bridge Toll Revenues program of projects and allocation of funds for the FY 2006-07. Attachment A to this resolution lists the projects to be funded.

Further discussion of the programming and allocation is contained in the MTC Programming and Allocations Summary sheet dated May 10, 2005.

Date: May 24, 2006
W.I.: 1514
Referred by: PAC

RE: Programming and Allocation of Five Percent Unrestricted State Fund Revenues and Two Percent Bridge Toll Revenues in the Fiscal Year 2006-07 to Various Claimants

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
RESOLUTION NO. 3760

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) is the regional transportation planning agency for the San Francisco Bay Area pursuant to Government Code Section 66500 et seq., and

WHEREAS, with the toll increase authorized by the Regional Measure I, approved by the voters on November 8, 1988, 3% of the revenue from the toll increase collected on all the state-owned bridges in the region may be allocated by MTC pursuant to Streets and Highways Code §§ 30913 and 30914, for certain projects which are designed to reduce vehicular traffic congestion on these bridges; and

WHEREAS, Streets and Highways Code §§ 30913 and 30914 have been amended to require that an additional 2% of those toll revenues be allocated by MTC for the planning, construction, and acquisition of rapid water transit systems; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to Streets and Highways Code § 30894, MTC has adopted MTC Resolution No. 2004, revised which sets forth MTC's Bridge Toll Revenue Allocation Policy; and

WHEREAS, MTC has adopted Resolution No. 3288, Revised which established the Five Percent Unrestricted State Fund Revenues and Two Percent Bridge Toll Revenues Interim Programming and Allocation Policy; and

WHEREAS, the claimants listed on Attachment A have submitted applications to MTC for allocation of Five Percent Unrestricted State Fund Revenues and Two Percent Bridge Toll Revenues in FY 2006-07; and

WHEREAS, those applications are for projects and purposes that are in conformance with MTC's Regional Transportation Plan, with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code § 2100 et seq.) and the State EIR Guidelines (14 Cal. Admin. Code § 15000 et seq.); now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that MTC approves the programming and allocation of Five Percent Unrestricted State Fund Revenues and Two Percent Bridge Toll Funds in FY 2006-07 to the claimants, in the amounts, for the purposes, and subject to the conditions listed on Attachment A to this resolution, attached hereto and incorporated herein as though set forth at length.

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Jon Rubin, Chair

The above resolution was entered into
by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission
at a regular meeting of the Commission
held in Oakland, California on May 24, 2006.

Date: May 24, 2006

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Attachment A
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ALLOCATION OF FIVE PERCENT UNRESTRICTED STATE FUND REVENUES AND
AND TWO PERCENT BRIDGE TOLL REVENUES
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2006-07

| Claimant | Project Description | Allocation Amount | Alloc. Code | Approval Date |
|--|--|----------------------|----------------|------------------|
| <i>Five Percent Unrestricted State Fund Revenues</i> | | | | |
| Vallejo | Baylink Ferry Operations | \$1,326,774 | 01 | 05/24/06 |
| City of Alameda | Alameda-Oakland Ferry Operations | 1,042,647 | 02 | 05/24/06 |
| City of Alameda | Harbor Bay Ferry Operations | 450,000 | 03 | 05/24/06 |
| ABAG | Bay Trail Operations | 140,000 | 04 | 05/24/06 |
| Total - Five Percent Unrestricted State Fund Revenues | | \$2,959,421 | | |
| <i>Two Percent Bridge Toll Revenues</i> | | | | |
| <i>Northern Bridge Group</i> | | | | |
| Vallejo | Baylink Ferry Capital Replacement, Rehabilitation, and Upgrades | \$431,855 | 06 | 05/24/06 |
| Subtotal | | \$431,855 | | |
| <i>Southern Bridge Group</i> | | | | |
| City of Alameda | Harbor Bay Ferry Capital Replacement, Rehabilitation, and Upgrades | \$271,300 | 07 | 05/24/06 |
| | Alameda-Oakland Ferry Capital Replacement, Rehabilitation, and Upgrades | 213,158 | 10 | 05/24/06 |
| Subtotal | | \$484,458 | | |
| Total - Two Percent Restricted Bridge Toll Revenues | | \$916,313 | | |
| TOTAL | | \$3,875,734 | | |